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REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the consideration shown by the Office, as evidenced by the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on February 4, 2004. The Notice stated that the Amendments to the Claims section of the amendment filed on January 14, 2004 (Paper No. 7), was non-compliant because Claim 79 had an incorrect status identifier, and required re-submission of the entire Amendments to the Claims section.

Accordingly, the Amendments to the Claims section is re-submitted herewith. Applicants submit that the re-submitted section includes the proper status identifier for Claim 79, and that the Amendment now complies with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(h).

If any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicants' counsel at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,


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